

## Korea Policy Forum

### *U.S.-ROK Relations: Challenges and Opportunities under the Biden Administration*



Speaker: Congressman Andy Kim (D-NJ)

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#### ◇ Event Description

With the Biden Administration approaching its 100-day mark, reshaping the relationship between the United States and the Republic of Korea (ROK) poses one of its greatest challenges and opportunities. The strategic alliance between the two countries will define a renewed approach towards North Korea, future policy that shapes the relationship with China, and has far reaching implications to the regional and global economies. Please join us for an online discussion with Congressman Andy Kim (D-NJ), a member of the House Armed Services and House Foreign Affairs Committees in the House and former State Department, Pentagon and White House National Security Council official, on the future of this relationship and its implications for shaping the region, world and future.

◇ **Speaker**



**Congressman Andy Kim** was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2018. He represents the Third Congressional District of New Jersey, which stretches from the Delaware River to the Jersey Shore encompassing most of Burlington County and parts of Ocean County. As a member of the House, Congressman Kim serves on the House Armed Services Committee, the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the House Committee on Small Business. In his first term, Congressman Kim passed bills into law that help military servicemembers and their families find economic opportunities and stopped the use of harmful chemicals that impact New Jersey's water by the U.S. military. In addition, Congressman Kim has held more than two dozen town halls and has helped constituents by resolving more than 4,300 issues with federal agencies. Congressman Kim grew up in South Jersey, the proud son of Korean immigrants, where he attended public K-12 schools before becoming a Rhodes Scholar. Prior to serving in the House, Congressman Kim worked as a career public servant under both Democrats and Republicans. He served at USAID, the Pentagon, the State Department, the White House National Security Council, and in Afghanistan as an advisor to Generals Petraeus and Allen. He currently lives in Burlington county with his wife and two baby boys.

◇ **Moderator**



**Jisoo M. Kim** is Korea Foundation Associate Professor of History, International Affairs, and East Asian Languages and Literatures. She currently serves as the Director of the Institute for Korean Studies and the Co-Director of the East Asia National Resource Center at GW. She also serves as the Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Korean Studies*. She is a specialist in gender, law, and emotions in Korean history. Her broader research interests include gender and sexuality, crime and justice, forensic medicine, literary representations of the law, history of emotions, vernacular, and gender writing. She is the author of *The Emotions of Justice: Gender, Status, and Legal Performance in Chosŏn Korea* (University of Washington Press, 2015), which was awarded the 2017 James Palais Prize of the Association for Asian Studies. She is also the co-editor of *The Great East Asian War and the Birth of the Korean Nation* by JaHyun Kim Haboush (Columbia University Press, 2016). She is currently working on a book project tentatively entitled *Sexual Desire, Crime, and Gendered Subjects: A History of Adultery Law in Korea*. She received her M.A., M.Phil., and Ph.D. in East Asian Languages and Cultures from Columbia University.

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